

REMARKS

Entry of this Amendment, and reconsideration and allowance of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action dated February 8, 2007. Appreciation is expressed to the Examiner for the allowance of claims 5-10.

By the present amendment, the rejected claims 1-4 have been canceled, without prejudice to the applicants' right to proceed with the subject matter of these claims by way of a continuation application. By virtue of the cancellation of these rejected claims, the only claims remaining in the application are the allowed claims 5-10. Accordingly, entry of this Amendment and allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.


Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.116, notwithstanding the finality of the Office Action. 37 CFR §1.116 permits the cancellation of claims at any time during the prosecution of an application, including after final rejection. Accordingly, entry of this Amendment for purposes of placing the application in condition for allowance is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this

paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP
Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 1374.43352X00), and please credit any
excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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